GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:614
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OPTIMUM UTILISATION OF THE CAPACITY FOR CEMENT PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Year-wise and State-wise comparative details of cement production during the last three years;

(b) the details of installed capacity of cement production, State-wise;

(c) whether installed capacity is being fully exploited;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the cement produced in these States is being fully utilised;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government for ensuring full utilisation of produced cement?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b): The State-wise installed capacity and State-wise production of cement during the last three years is given in the Statement annexed. After meeting the domestic demand, the industry has also exported 3.38 million tonnes of cement in 2001-02, 3.47 million tonnes in 2002-03 and 3.36 million tonnes in 2003-04.

(c)to(g): The capacity utilisation has been in the range of 79% to 81% in the last three years. For better utilization of installed capacity, some of the measures taken by the Government to increase demand for cement are as under:-

(i) To give boost to the housing development programme, various fiscal incentives have been provided in the Finance Act, 2001 and Finance Act, 2002 and the benefits enjoyed by the Housing Industry under Section 80(I)(B) under the heading ` Direct Taxes` have been extended upto 31st March, 2007;

(ii) Allocation of funds for Indira Awas Yojana in the rural areas has been raised from Rs.1710 crores to Rs.2247 crores in the Budget 2004-05;

(iii) Under Golden Jubilee Rural Housing Finance Scheme, finance is proposed to be provided to 250000 rural housing units against the present target of 180000 units per year; and

(iv) Public investment in big infrastructure projects like roads, railways, airports and sea ports is being enhanced.

Statement referred to in reply to part (a) &(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.614 for answe on 3.12.2004 regarding Optimum Utilisation of the Capacity for Cement Production

(In lakh tonnes)

S.No.	Region/State	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04

	Capacity	Prodn.	Capacity	Prodn.	Capacity	Prodn.
Northern Region						
1 Haryana	1.72	1.72	1.72			
2 Punjab	21.73	19.03	28.40	29.47	30.40	33.31
3 Rajasthan	162.99	160.05	174.54	172.81	179.94	177.81
4 Himachal Pradesh	40.60	38.98	40.60	37.96	40.60	39.93
5 Delhi	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00
6 Jamm & Kashmir	2.00	1.36	2.00	1.14	2.00	1.19
Northern Region - Total	234.04	219.42	252.26	241.38	259.66	252.24
Eastern Region						
7 Assam	2.00	1.33	2.00	1.42	2.00	1.19
8 Meghalaya	2.00	1.06	2.00	1.04	2.00	0.99
9 Bihar	10.00	6.25	10.00	5.62	10.00	3.39
10 Jharkhand	34.75	30.09	35.67	36.37	45.75	35.88
11 Orissa	27.61	24.33	28.52	26.12	30.35	24.83
12 West Bengal	22.92	17.4	31.25	25.2	31.25	27.44
13 Chattisgarh	106.47	86.26	103.18	71.27	102.49	72.98
Eastern Region-Total	205.75	166.72	212.62	167.04	223.84	166.70
Southern Region						
14 Andhra Pradesh	203.31	134.12	206.06	132.48	210.98	140.37
15 Tamil Nadu	129.13	93.08	144.81	116.66	145.64	122.91
16 Karnataka	97.44	67.64	97.86	80.92	100.86	92.77
17 Kerala	4.20	3.94	4.20	4.10	5.20	5.28
Southern Region-Total	434.08	298.78	452.93	334.16	462.68	361.33
Western Region						
18 Gujarat	129.37	105.45	135.20	100.84	166.70	103.70
19 Maharashtra	89.50	66.84	106.17	91.88	113.08	106.31
Western Region - Total	218.87	172.29	241.37	192.72	279.78	210.01
Central Region						
20 Uttar Pradesh	42.97	18.27	48.64	24.27	55.17	34.58
21 Madhya Pradesh	161.85	148.53	161.85	153.92	161.85	150.18
Central Region - Total	204.82	166.80	210.49	178.19	217.02	184.76
Grand Total	1297.56	1024.01	1369.67	1113.49	1442.98	1175.04